

**AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:**

Please replace FIG. 1 on file with FIG. 1 enclosed herewith. The replacement FIG. 1 is labeled "Replacement Sheet" in the top margin.

The replacement FIG. 1 adds tube (12), cells (20) collected therein, and final composition (30). The final composition (30) includes cells (20) and compounds (22).

Additionally, the replacement FIG. 1 amends compounds (22) to clearly illustrate that compounds (22) includes an anticoagulant agent (24), a fixative agent (26) and optionally, a polyacrylic acid (28).

Furthermore, the replacement FIG. 1 shows that the surface of compounds (22) is leveled as compounds (22) are in a liquid form in accordance with the presently claimed invention.